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1. ON DECEMBER [REDACTED] RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT THE PCCH HAD DECIDED PR SENATOR ALBERTO
BALTRA UNACCEPTABLE AS CANDIDATE OF LEFT. [REDACTED]

IMPACT OF UNMASKING

CLOSELY HELD COMMUNIST DECISION EVEN GREATER THAN ANTICIPATED, AND
HAS CAUSED SHOCK WAVES IN BOTH PR AND PCCH. PR, WHICH BELIEVED
BALTRA HAD NOMINATION PRACTICALLY IN BAG, DISILLUSIONED AND BITTER
PCCH EMBARRASSED BY NEWS LEAK. [REDACTED]

ON 5

JANUARY PCCH LEADERS HELD PRESS CONFERENCE AT WHICH THEY BOMBARDED
WITH SERACHING QUESTIONS BY CREAM CHILEAN JOURNALISTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PCCH ALSO CALLED SPECIAL MEETING OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE
FOR 6 JANUARY TO DISCUSS SITUATION. COMMUNISTS HAVE NOW ADMITTED
PUBLICLY THAT [REDACTED] NOT ACCEPTABLE, BUT INSIST THEY HAVE NOT

Approved [REDACTED]
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"VETOED" HIM PER SE. EVENTS OF PAST FEW DAYS PARTICULARLY HUMILIATING
 OTHER BASES WHO HAVE BY AND LARGE MAINTAINED ATTITUDE INDIFFERENCE
 WHILE PARTY LEADERSHIP SOUGHT ELECTORAL ALLIANCE WITH OTHER PARTIES
 OF LEFT INCLUDING PCCH. BASES HAD BEEN LED TO BELIEVE THAT BALTRA
 WOULD BE CANDIDATE OF POPULAR UNITY.

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